GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

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LAW COLLEGES
Patil Shri Shriniwas Dadasaheb

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals for opening of new law colleges pending with the Bar Council of India as on date, location-wise, State-wise;

(b) the time by which these proposals are likely to be cleared; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to expedite the approval of such law colleges?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ)

(a) List of Law Colleges pending location-wise, State-wise with the Bar Council of India as on 29.08.2007 is annexed as Annexure-I.

(b) No time limit has been prescribed under the Rules of the Bar Council of India for clearing the applications received for granting approval of affiliation. However, Bar Council of India has informed that they are taking utmost care in disposing of the pending application as quickly as possible.

(c) As per Section 7(1)(h) and 7(1)
(i) of the Advocates Act, 1961, the Bar Council of has been entrusted with the responsibility to promote legal education and recognition of Universities whose degree in law shall be a qualification for enrolment as an advocate and for that purpose to visit and inspect Universities respectively.